

"Frascati"
On Mobile Bay, So. End
of Conception Street
Mobile, Alabama

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DISTRICT NO. 16

Historic American Buildings Survey
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"FRASCATTI"
On Mobile Bay,
South end of Conception St.
Mobile, Mobile County, Alabama.

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Ownership:

Present Owner: Gulf, Mobile and Northern Railroad.

Previous Owners: Martin Herst.

Date of Erection: Approximately 1840.

Architect: Unknown.

Builder: Unknown.

Present Condition: Fair.

Number of Stories: Two.

Materials of Construction: Two story frame; additional wing one story; two story porch to main building; columns with wooden balustrade in between.; one story to porch to wing; metal roof.

Other Existing Records:

See: "HISTORIC HOME OF OLD MOBILE"
By John F. Glennon & Rosemary Glennon.
Buildings sketched by, Chici Glennon Lasley.

Additional Data: This building is located at Live Oak Street and Bay Front, in a section known for many generations as "Frascatti". In early days this region was sought for residential section. Bienville had his "chateau avec un jardin" in Garrow's Bend, just below the present city limits of Mobile. In later days homes were built nearer the water front. Moses Waring, Alphonse Hurtel, Henry Hitchcock and many other prominent Mobilians had their homes nearby.

When Henry Fonde extended his Royal Street car line down to the bay, "Frascatti" became Mobile's most popular park and pleasure resort. For many years it was owned by Martin Horst (four of whose grandsons now live in Mobile) and was the scene of practically all local outdoor events, - including encampments of the Alabama National Guard.

Old "Frascatti" is now the site of the shops of the Gulf, Mobile and Northern Railroad. When we think of "Frascatti" however, we are reminded of the many gay times had there.

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